

Art Unit: 3764

In claim 3, on line 2, delete "joints are" and insert --joint is--.

In claim 3, on line 2, and insert --so as—after "way".

In claim 3, on line 2, delete "footrests" and insert  
--footrest-- respectively.

In claim 3, on line 3, delete "the various" and insert --all spatial--.

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10-2-07 In claim 3, delete line <sup>2</sup>~~3~~ and insert --the footrest touching the base or the support  
surface.--

In claims 5, 6 and 8, each in line 1, insert --A-- before "footstool".

### REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

In view of the applicant's amendments and after further consideration of the invention, the claims as presented avoid the prior art of record. The prior art does not disclose a pivoting footrest device that includes a solid bowl shaped footrest having a cavity filled with a movable mass that is movable throughout the cavity, a base and a joint connecting the base to the footrest wherein the joint is located in a position that is coincident with or higher than the center of mass of the footrest.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."